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G.O. No. 3795

Dated 12- 9-1940

[Despatch Abstract.]

Jails - Wellesley sanatorium jail, Bellary - sub-assistant surgeon to be in charge when the jailer is off duty.

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JAIL **DEPARTMENT.**

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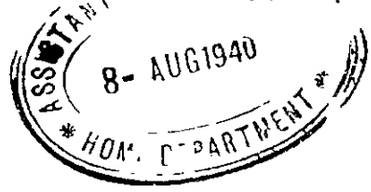

Subject.

Wellesley Sanatorium Jail, Bellary - Arrangement to relieve Jailor for meals etc. - Orders requesting of.

ENCLOSURES.
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Roc. No. 2353/B1/40,

Station Madras, , *Dated the* 3rd August 1940.

From (Name) Lieut-Col.S.C.Contractor, M.B.,I.M.S.,
(Designation) Inspector-General of Prisons,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
HOME Department.

Sir,

Under rule 155 of the Madras Prison and Reformatory Manual, the Jailor, Deputy Jailor or the Reserve Deputy Jailor shall not be absent from the jail at the same time during the day. In jails having these three officers, no difficulty is experienced to arrange for relief for meals etc. or when one of them is off duty or absent on casual leave. But in some jails where there are only two officers and when one of them is off duty or is sick, it is not possible to observe the rule cited above. Hence to overcome this difficulty, the following departmental instructions were issued in this office order No.7395-Cir-171, dated

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dated 23-11-1901 under the heading "System of relief on Sundays".

In Central Jails, the Jailor or Deputy Jailor on duty shall not leave the jail without formally handing over charge to an officer not below the rank of Assistant Chief Officer or Reserve Head Warder. In District Jails where the Jailors and Assistant Jailors(now clerks) are not less than four in number, the Jailor and Executive Assistant Jailor shall come on duty with another Assistant Jailor. When the senior officer on duty leaves the jail(for meals etc.) he shall duly make over charge to an officer of not less rank than an Assistant Jailor (now designated as clerk) assisted by a first grade head warder. In other District Jails where the Jailor and Assistant Jailors are only three in number, the History Ticket clerk shall come up fourth and the Jailor and Executive Assistant Jailor,(now designated as clerk) shall come on duty with the other Assistant Jailor or the History Ticket clerk. The senior officer on duty shall not leave the jail without formally handing over charge to the other officer on duty assisted by a first grade or second grade Head warder.

This Circular has been reproduced at page (437) of the Madras Prison and Reformatory Manual. Vol III.

2/ Since the issue of the above Circular, there have been many changes in the staff. The designation of the Assistant Jailor has been changed into one of clerk and subsequently the concession of rent free quarters was also withdrawn from them. Hence it is not possible to put a clerk not being an executive officer in charge of any jail during the absence of the Jailor or the Deputy Jailor. The question of relief is keenly felt in the Wellesley Sanatorium Jail, Bellary asthere is only one post of Jailor in the scale of pay of the Deputy Jailor,viz. Rs.70-130, and two first grade warders on Rs.24-28; one working as a Chief Warder and the other as Gate-keeper and one clerk on Rs.30-55. If the Jailor is off duty, the

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jail has to be left to the care of a low paid officer, viz. first grade warder who is the next chief executive officer available in the jail. But I am not in favour of this arrangement. It is not safe to hand over the jail to a first grade warder. Better at least there is a gate-keeper on Rs.35-55. I therefore request to be informed whether this arrangement of first grade warder being in charge may be permitted to continue in the circumstances where no other executive officer is available in the jail.

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Lieut-Col.,I.M.S.,
Inspector-General of Prisons.

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Home Dept.

Memo/22395 C-1 d 22.8.40

Wellesley Sanatorium Bail

Bellary – Arrangements to relieve jailer for meals – Letter from the Dy of Prisons R.o.c no 2353/B1/40 d 3.8.40.

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It has been suggested that one of the two Asst Surgeons in the Wellesley Sanatorium Bail, Bellary may be in charge of the jail when the jailer goes out for meals as in view of the small population of the jail and of the provisions of rules 63 and 66 of the rules in part I of the Madras P&R. Manual Vol II. The DG is requested to offer his views on the suggestion.

PM 22.8.40.

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To the Dy of Prisons.

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JAIL **DEPARTMENT.**

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Subject.

Wellesley Sanatorium Jail, Bellary - Arrangements to relieve Jailer for meals.

REF: Govt. Memo.No.22395 C-1 dated 22-8-1940.

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Roc.No. 2353/B.1/40.

Station Madras., *Dated the* 30th August 19 40.

From (Name) Lieut.-Col.S.C.Contractor, M.B., I.M.S.,
(Designation) Inspector General of Prisons,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
HOME Department.

Sir,

The Sub Assistant Surgeons cannot be held responsible for the Jail as executive officers. They are not able to maintain discipline at all. The prisoners and other subordinate staff do not care for them. A Sub Assistant Surgeon is essentially a medical subordinate and he is looked upon as such. He is not able to exercise any power over convicts and subordinates of his jail and he cannot exercise any power or control as an executive officer of

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the jail. It is not in him to be an executive officer. He cannot be held responsible if a disturbance breaks out in the jail much less can he be looked upon to attempt to quell it. He is entirely to look after the sick. The Sub Assistant Surgeons live in mortal dread of prisoners.

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Lieut.-Col. I.M.S.,
Inspector-General of Prisons.

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HOME DEPARTMENT.

WELLESLEY SANATORIUM JAIL, BELLARY - Relief arrangements.

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C.No.22395 C. CF

From the I.G. of Prisons, R.O.C.No.2353/B1/40 dated 3.8.1940.

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p-19 (V) (removed)

According to rule 155 of the rules in Part I of the P.&.R. Manual, Vol. II, as amended by G.O. No.3126, Home, dated 26.7.40, the jailer, the dy. jailer and the reserve dy. jailer should not be absent from the jail at the same time during the day and the hours of meal should be so arranged that at least one of them is present in the jail.

2. The following statement shows the executive officers employed in the various jails other than warder staff:-

	Jailer	Dy. jailer	Reserve dy.jailer.	Gate-keeper	Chief head warder	Reserve head warder.
1. 7 Central Jails of the status of 1st class Central jails.	1	1	1	1	1	1
2. 2 Central Jails of the status of 2nd class Central Jails (Bellary & Vizagapatam)	1	1	-	1	1	1
3. 2 Dt. Jails (Madura & Cuddalore)	1	1	-	1	1	1
4. Wellesley Sanatorium Jail, Bellary	-	1	-	-	-	-

* p-12 (Q) [Q.P.3691 L.S. dt. 6.9.29]

p-19 (V) (removed)

para 2 on p2-3 CF

3. The dy. jailer in the Wellesley Sanatorium Jail, Bellary is designated as jailer of the jail. There are* 2 first grade and 10 second grade warders. It is not possible to make relief arrangements as contemplated in rule 155 during hours of meal and during the absence of the jailer on leave or off duty. On such occasions, the jail has to be left in charge of a low paid officer, namely, the 1st

grade warder (Rs.24-28). The I.G. considers this arrangement as unsatisfactory. He thinks that it would be better if an officer of the rank of a gate-keeper on Rs.35-55 is in charge of the jail. He enquires whether the existing arrangment should be continued.

p-3 Cf

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4. The Wellesley Sanatorium Jail is a special jail in which prisoners suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis are confined. The present population of the jail is 76. In addition to the staff referred to in para 3 above, there is also a staff of 2 Sub-Asst. Surgeons one compounder, one dark room assistant and 6 nursing orderlies in the jail. Under rule 63 in Part I of the P.&.R. Manual, the sub-asst. Surgeons and the compounder attached to the jail shall not leave it without the general or express permission of the Medical Officer. Rule 66(1) provides for the presence of one or the other of the two sub asst. surgeons always in the jail. As regards the duties of the sub-asst. Surgeon, please see rules 65 to 74. In view of the small population in the jail, it may not be impossible for the sub asst. surgeon on duty to be in charge of the jail without detriment to his medical duties during the absence of the jailer, the first grade warder being directed to work under him. For orders whether the I.G. may be asked to take action as at A above.

p-4 (Q)

× on 27-7-40

× Rs 75-175 [p-12 (Q)]

p-20 of the P.R. Manual Vol II

p-21 of the Manual

pp 20-23 of the Manual

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Let h.s. see 4/13.8/

Refer p. of Manual

Speak. 14

KB 12.8.40

pm 12.8.40.

Results.

Ask the I.G. for his remarks on the suggestion at A above. Take up separately the question of informing the I.G. that his circular is out of date & should be revised and

A 14/8.

KB 15.8.40

pm 15-8-40.

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(Explained to the Asst. Surgeon in I.G.'s office on 23-8-40)

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1 that he should scrutinise his
B 1 new circulars & revise them if
1 necessary before Vol III is reprinted

RJ 20/8

U.S.'s note at A on p 2 ante.

A Draft memo to the
D.J & submitted.

U.S.'s note at B above.

Action is being taken in the
(23585C). limited file.

RJ 21/8

ON
28-40.

p1 cf Issued as memo No. 22395C, dy 22-8-40.
pp5-6 cf [24802C] from the D.J. of Prisons: Roc No.
2353/B1/40 dy 30-8-40.

Please see the memo on p-4 cf and the D.J.'s
reply on pp 5-6 Cf. ~~To-day~~. The Wellesley
KB Sanatorium Jail, Bellary, being a hospital jail,
5-9-40. with a small number of prisoners (76) who are
sick, it is for orders whether the Govt should
agree with the D.J that Sub-asst Surgeons
are not able to maintain discipline. After
all, the Sub-asst Surgeon will relieve the
jailer for a very short duration. The D.J seems
A on p 3 cf to suggest that a Jail Keeper (on Rs 35-55) should be
appointed. It is not clear how a Jail Keeper
will keep better discipline than a S.A.S.

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Orders are requested on the D.I.'s report at B
on p 3 C.F.

5.9.40.

Pl. see A on p 6 C.F.
The I.G. considers that a
gate keeper would be better -
able & shoulder the respon-
-sibility than an S.A.S. We
may perhaps agree with him,
though it does'nt speak much
for the medical profession.

I.G.
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P.S. C.F. - much of a question. We may tell I.G. that for
short periods, S.A.S.s can be used.

7.9.40.

HOME SECRETARY
-9 SEP 1940
GOVT OF MADRAS

Vide 3. S.A.S. to be
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be a medical man

The
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for order is submitted for approval.

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Jails - Wellesley Sanatorium Jail, Bellary - Sub-asst. Surgeon to be in charge when the Jailer is off duty

READ AGAIN _____, dated _____ 19____

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READ *ALSO* :—

Mp. 3 of No. 22395 From the P.S. of Prisons, Rocs No. 2353/B/40 dated 3-8-1940

Mp 5/6 of " 24802 " " " " " 30-8-1940

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~~Resolution Rout.~~ Order Ms. No. 3795, dated 14-9-1940

The P.S. of Prisons is informed that one of the sub. asst. surgeons in the Wellesley Sanatorium jail, Bellary, shd. be in charge of the jail, when the jailer goes out for meals or is off duty.

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The P.S. of Prisons

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